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VERONIKA R.)  
SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASE: VERONIKA R. HAMPEL

REF: (A) 76 BERLIN 7357, (B) CFR 42.31,(B)

1. ON APRIL 19, FIVE DAYS AFTER HER 18TH BIRTHDAY, VERONIKA R. HAMPEL CALLED AT EMBASSY TO DISCUSS WORDING OF HER APPLICATION TO DEPART TO BE PRESENTED TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES MOMENTARILY. HER STEP-FATHER HAD ADVISED THE EMBASSY BY LETTER THAT VERONIKA IS NOW EXPECTING A CHILD. SHE CONFIRMED THAT THE CHILD IS DUE IN MAY, 1977. WHEN SHE INQUIRED WORRIEDLY AS TO

THE IV STATUS OF HER CHILD, SHE WAS REASSURED BY CITATION AND EXPLANATION OF 22 CFR 42.31(B).

2. UPON REFLECTION, THE EMBASSY DID NOT SEND A NOTE ON THIS CASE (SEE REF. A) TO THE MFA FOR TWO REASONS:  
A. SHE WAS A MINOR UNTIL APRIL 14 AND COULD NOT FILE AN APPLICATION TO DEPART UNTIL THEN.  
B. THE MFA WOULD HAVE RESPONDED THAT NO APPLICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED, WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN TECHNICALLY  
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CORRECT.

3. NOW THAT VERONIKA IS LEGALLY OF AGE AND WILL BE APPLYING SHORTLY, WE PROPOSE TO MENTION THIS CASE TO GRAHLE, CONSULAR DEPARTMENT, MFA WHEN WE PRESENT THE APRIL 1977 "NON-PAPERS" TO HIM ON APRIL 25. THE CASE WILL NOT, OF COURSE, BE INCLUDED IN THE "NON-PAPERS-.

4. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE MRS. FREEMAN OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS AND ASSURE HER THAT THE EMBASSY WILL TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ASSIST AND FACILITATE VERONIKA AND THE EXPECTED CHILD IN THEIR FAMILY REUNIFICATION WITH HER. SHE SHOULD BE TOLD THAT THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED AN APPROVED I-130 (WHICH SHE FILED) FOR HER DAUGHTER, WHICH ALSO CAN COVER THE CHILD UNDER REF. B.

5. COMMENT: FYI BECAUSE OF THE RECENT SPATE OF SOLVED CASES AS WELL AS THE PROXIMITY OF BELGRADE AND THE UNUSUALLY APPEALING CHARACTER OF THIS CASE, E.G. YOUNG LADY, MINIMUM EDUCATION, ONLY EMPLOYED FOR A FEW MONTHS AS A SALESGIRL, WE WOULD HOPE THIS CASE COULD BE SOLVED QUICKLY. THE IMMINENT BIRTH OF THE CHILD ALSO INCREASE ITS HUMANITARIAN QUALITIES. ALTHOUGH WE ARE REASONABLY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT POSITIVE RESOLUTIONS, WE WOULD HESITATE TO EXPRESS OPTIMISM TO THE FREEMANS. WE BELIEVE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST BY CONGRESSMAN MINETA DIRECTLY TO THE GDR EMBASSY COULD BE HELPFUL AND WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAKE THAT POINT TO HIS OFFICE.

6. CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST - CONGRESSMAN NORMAN Y. MINETA. POLANSKY

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